

# National Days of Service Calendar 2011-2012

## **National Day of Service & Remembrance (September 11, 2011)**

Theme: To honor the victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks on America through a voluntarily observed national day of service, charity and compassion

Purpose: To encourage people everywhere to set aside time every September 11 to help others in need - in any fashion they deem appropriate - in honor of those who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks against America.

Website: [www.911dayofservice.org](http://www.911dayofservice.org) & [www.mygooddeed.org](http://www.mygooddeed.org)

## **Kids Care Week (October 16-22, 2011)**

Theme: Celebrate Kids Making a Difference in Their Community

Purpose: Kids Care Week is dedicated to recognizing the power of kids to reach out and help others in their local community. During the week, young people focus their compassion on a specific social issue through a service project.

Website: [kidscare.org/about/kidsCareWeek](http://kidscare.org/about/kidsCareWeek)

## **Make A Difference Day (October 22, 2011)**

Theme: A national day to help others!

Purpose: To inspire and reward volunteers. Everyone who helps others on this day and submits an entry form is eligible for a national or local award and for a cash donation to a charitable cause. Every award recipient will appear in USA WEEKEND Magazine and on makeadifferenceday.com.

Website: [makeadifferenceday.com](http://makeadifferenceday.com)

## **Family Volunteer Day (November 19, 2011)**

Theme: Be an Incredible Family - Volunteer

Purpose: To call families across America to work together in volunteer service to strengthen their families, communities, local businesses, and non-profit organizations

Website: [pointsoflight.org/events/family-volunteer-day](http://pointsoflight.org/events/family-volunteer-day)

## **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 16, 2012)**

Theme: Make it a day on... not a day off!

Purpose: To help keep Dr. King's legacy of service to others alive in communities across the country

Website: [mlkday.org](http://mlkday.org)

## **National & Global Youth Service Days (April 20-22, 2012)**

Theme: The Power of Youth Serving Youth

Purpose: To empower young people, highlighting their ongoing contributions to their communities and mobilizing their energy, commitment, and idealism through sustainable service

Website: [gysd.org](http://gysd.org)

## **National Volunteer Week (April 15-21, 2012)**

Theme: Inspire by Example

Purpose: To recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers at the local, state and national levels

Website: [handsonnetwork.org/nationalprograms/signatureevents/nvw](http://handsonnetwork.org/nationalprograms/signatureevents/nvw)

## **Join Hands Day (May 5, 2012)**

Theme: Youths and Adults Volunteering Together

Purpose: A day of volunteering that brings youths and adults together to improve their own communities.

Website: [joinhandsday.org](http://joinhandsday.org)